GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

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DISHONOURING OF CHEQUES
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several cases of dishonoured cheques in banks have been taken to the courts during the last three years;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) the number of such cases settled by the courts during the above period;

(d) the number of pending cases in the courts;

(e) whether the Government propose to set up more courts to dispose of pending cases of dishonoured cheques; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. JANA KRISHNAMURTHY) :

(a) to (d) No information is maintained in the Department as to the specific number ofcases of dishonoured cheques. However, as per the information furnished by the Ministryof Finance, Banking Division the number of cases pending in the subordinate courts of Delhi as on 31/10/2001 and in Mumbai as on 31/8/2001 is given in the enclosed Statements I and

(e) and (f) In order to expedite the disposal of cases relating to the dishonoured cheques, Parliament has passed a Bill in the current session amending the Negotiable Instruments Act to provide, inter-alia, for summary trials, for dispensing with personal appearance of the complainant for preliminary evidence and allowing it through affidavit as also providing for other measures to speed up the disposal of such cases.